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THE BIRDS OF POCAHONTAS COUNTY

BY LIGON PRICE

Thinking that it would be of some interest to those who belong to the Liberty Bell Bird Clubs and others, I have made a list of the birds to be found in Pocahontas County. I do not claim this list to be entirely complete, especially of the perching birds. Some of these look so much alike that it makes it hard to identify them. I have not made so close a study of the perching birds as I have of some others, up to this time.

Almost all of the ones given in the list I have identified myself, either by killing the specimens or in mounted ones and on good authority by other persons.

I am much indebted to my father, the late J. C. Price, who was raised where Marlinton now stands, as to the ducks and eagles. He told me that in his boyhood days that ducks were on the river by the hundreds, and that all the ones I have listed were there. Now we are duckless or in a manner so. This is true of some of the other birds, such as swans, loons, etc. owing to the fact that we have no large streams, no lakes or large ponds, and also the railroad runs the full length of the Greenbrier, and the train passing every few hours keeps them constantly stirred up, giving them no time to stop.

The passenger pigeon is no longer extinct, though once here by the thousand. The last ones being seen in the early nineties, although an occasional pigeon has been seen in more recent years.

The wood duck used to nest here but it has not been seen for some years, and it is very rare throughout the State.

In speaking of eagles, my father told me that back in the fifties the bald eagle was more common than the golden eagle, the latter being rather rare. Afterwards the golden eagle became more numerous, and I believe the bald eagle has disappeared entirely.

A couple of parties told me some years ago that they had seen a pair of bald eagles, but as this eagle is often confused with osprey, I will not vouch for this report.

I have made the list off in the order as given in the list of the American Ornithologist Union, leaving off all scientific terms and Latin names. I believe you will find this list accurate, and that you will find no great number of birds not listed. If any one can correct any mistake I have made, or can give us more light on any of them, or add any to the list, I would like to hear from them.

Order I—Diving Birds

1. Pied-billed Grebe
2. Loon or Great Northern Diver

Order II—Long-winged Swimmers

1. Herring Gull

Order V—Ducks, Geese and Swans

1. American Merganser
2. Hooded Merganser
3. Mallard
4. Black Duck
5. Gadwall
6. Blue Wing Teal
7. American Scaup Duck
8. Wood Duck
8. Red Head
10. Buffle Head
11. Ruddy Duck
12. Whistling Swan
13. Canadian Goose
14. Widgeon

Order VII—Herons, etc.

1. American Bittern
2. American Egret
3. Great Blue Heron
4. Black-Crowned Night Heron
5. Green Heron

Order VIII—Rails, Cranes, etc.

1. Rail
2. Coot

Order IX—Shore Birds

1. American Woodcock
2. Spotted Sandpiper
3. Killdeer

Order X—Grouse, Turkey, etc.

1. Bob White or Partridge
2. Ruffed Grouse or Pheasant
3. Wild Turkey

Order XI—Pigeons and Doves

1. Passenger or Wild Pigeon
2. Mourning Dove

Order XII—Vultures, Hawks, Owls, etc.

1. Turkey Vulture or Turkey Buzzard
2. American Osprey or Fish Hawk
3. Marsh Hawk
4. Sharp-shinned Hawk
5. Cooper's Hawk
6. American Goshawk
7. Red-tailed Hawk
8. Red shouldered Hawk
9. Broad-winged Hawk
10. Sparrow Hawk
11. Golden Eagle
12. Bald Eagle
13. Barn Owl or Monkey-faced Owl
14. Barred Owl
15. Saw Whet Owl or Acadian Owl
16. Screech Owl
17. Great Horned Owl
18. Snowy Owl

Order XIV—Cuckoos and Kingfishers

1. Black-billed Cuckoo
2. Belted Kingfisher

Order XV—Wood Peckers

1. Pileated Woodpecker
2. Hairy Woodpecker
3. Downy Woodpecker
4. Redheaded Woodpecker
5. Northern Flicker

Order XVI—Goatsuckers, Swifts, and Humming Birds

1. Whippoorwill
2. Nighthawk or Bull Bat
3. Ruby Throated Hummingbird

Order XVII—Perching Birds

1. King Bird
2. Phoebe or Pewee
3. Wood Pewee
4. Least Flycatcher
5. Meadow Lark
6. Prairie Horned Lark
7. Blue Jay
8. Raven
9. Crow
10. Bobolink
11. Cowbird
12. Red-winged Blackbird
13. Rusty Blackbird
14. Bronze Grackle
15. Purple Grackle
16. Purple Finch
17. Gold Finch
18. Pine Siskin
19. Vesper Sparrow
20. Song Sparrow
21. Fox Sparrow
22. Slat-colored Junco
23. Towhee or Chewink
24. Cardinal
25. Rose breasted Grosbeak
26. Indigo Bunting
27. Scarlet Tanager
28. Purple Martin
29. Barn Swallow
30. Cliff Swallow
31. Bank Swallow
32. Cedar Waxwing
33. Black and White Warbler
34. Yellow Warbler
35. Myrtle Warbler
36. Blackthroated Green Warbler

Beilharz, a Royal Entertainer, Coming to Local 1



NOAH BEILHARZ

MORE than fifteen years of active service on the Lyceum platform has served to fix the standing of Noah Beilharz as among the most popular of American entertainers. As a reader and interpreter of plays Mr. Beilharz has won unique distinction, pleasing audiences in practically every state in the Union. He has been recalled many times to some of the great courses of the country. As a reader of German dialect selections he has no superior, and his presentation of the horse trade scene from "David Harum" is a classic. For several years "The Hoopier School Master" has been given with marked success, Mr. Beilharz using his own cutting of that famous book, presenting the characters in costume and with marked fidelity. A master of humor, this talented artist keeps his audiences royally entertained at every turn of his program. He will be seen here soon when he comes to Marlinton.

At the Hillsboro High School on Thursday Night March 8

EDRAY DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

- 37 Wormeating Warbler
- 38 Oven Bird
- 39 Cat Bird
- 40 Brown Thrasher
- 41 Carolina Wren
- 42 Winter Wren
- 43 Brown Creepers
- 44 White breasted Nuthatch
- 45 Red-breasted Nuthatch
- 46 Tufted Titmouse
- 47 Blackcapped Chickadee
- 48 Wood Thrush
- 49 Robin
- 50 Blue Bird

The popularity of the Lyceum Course was evidenced again by the crowded house which greeted the Lyceum Arts Conservatory Orchestra. Nearly 500 people were present to hear this excellent musical performance.

The result of the game of basketball between the teams of the town and the High School was a score of 32 to 28 in favor of the town.

Mr. A. S. Overholt conducted the chapel services on Tuesday. His talk "Good Citizenship" was entertaining and profitable, giving the high ideal every citizen should attempt to attain.

The Davis-Elkins College will contest with the High School girls on the local floor. A good game is anticipated.

Dr. Solter delivered an instructive and interesting lecture on Monday, on "The Red Cross," and first aid to the injured.

The mid-year examinations showed excellent work on the part of the students, only four failures being recorded. Three of these are the result of pupils entering school from eight to twelve weeks late, and the other to irregularity in attendance. Parents, keep your children in school every day if you wish them to advance.

In a little less than ninety days it shall be unlawful in West Virginia for any physician or surgeon directly or indirectly to divide or agree to divide any fee or compensation of any sort whatsoever charged for a surgical operation or for medical services with any other physician, surgeon or other person who brings, sends or recommends a patient to such physician or surgeon for treatment without the express knowledge or consent previously had of the person paying such fee or compensation or against whom the bill may be charged.

The legislature has passed the measure with such provision; and also directs that no physician or surgeon within the state may accept any fee for such service from any physician or surgeon without the state. Both fines and imprisonment are prescribed for violations.

—Huntington Dispatch.

The W. C. T. U. meets with Mrs. John S. Moore, Wednesday, March 7, at 2:30 p. m.

Erl, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Overholt, is very sick.

R. A. Kramer caught a white sucker at the mouth of Knapps Creek, which weighed 2 1/2 pounds after being dressed.

An Italian man died at Big Run on Wednesday after a short illness of pneumonia. He will be buried at Mt. View Cemetery today.

Old High Cost has no show when Marlinton Meat & Provision Co. announce a price of \$16.50 a ton for 16 per cent Acid Phosphate. See advertisement.

A Close Call

Almost every household has experienced a close call from having his house burn down. If you have never been through such a crisis, take to heart the lesson of others. Protect your home and your family with fire insurance. We are experts in that line and can arrange a liberal policy for you. See us before it is too late.



HUNTER & ECHOLS INSURANCE AGENCY INC.
F. M. SYDNOR, MANAGER
Marlinton, West Virginia.

BIG DURBIN FIRE

PART OF THE BIG DURBIN TANNERY BURNED

At eleven o'clock last Thursday night February 22, the night watchman at the big tannery at Durbin discovered fire in the scrub house. The blaze was too big for him to put out and the hose too heavy for one man to handle. The fire whistle was in a distant part of the plant, and by the time the men had been aroused and responded to the alarm, the fire had gotten great headway. Four large buildings were destroyed—the scrub house, one dry house and two yards. The loss cannot at this time be accurately estimated but will possibly be as much as \$400,000. The loss is covered by insurance.

The large dry house was protected by a brick fire wall and this saved the rest of the plant. The fire destroyed the buildings from this wall to the river.

The two yards were filled with leather in vats in the process of tanning. These hides were damaged but it is not yet known whether a total loss or not.

A very serious item is loss of machinery, which cannot be replaced in less than six or eight months. In one pile is machinery which will cost \$20,000 to duplicate. The destroyed buildings will be replaced at once.

This tannery belongs to the Pocahontas Tanning Company, and is one of the largest of its kind. Judge Hoffman of Wheeling, is one of the principal stockholders of the company, and the superintendent is J. W. Goodsell, of Durbin.

ARBOVALE

J. Hamed left Monday morning for Baltimore and other eastern cities.

Misses Flora and Mabel Gillespie spent the week end with their parents at this place.

Walter Lambert had the misfortune to get his foot badly cut.

Monroe Beard and Mrs. Ruby Beard made a business trip to Marlinton the first of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Hodge spent Sunday with friends here.

Fred Conrad was taken to the Marlinton Hospital last Wednesday for treatment.

L. D. Wooddell and son Kyle made a flying trip to Marlinton last week.

Misses Lora Rader and Hazel Ervin were the guests of Dortha Arbogast, Sunday.

Mrs. Clyde Gillespie returned home Saturday, after spending some time with relatives at Bush P. A. Tracy from Top Allegheny, was in town Saturday.

Gary Vanosdale passed through town Sunday.

Mrs. Clara Arbogast spent a few days with her daughter, Mrs. C. E. Flynn, at Greenbank.

Mrs. Bessie Baker of Detroit, has been visiting her father R. J. Brown. She expects to leave for her home this week.

Mrs. Clara Brown returned home Sunday after visiting her parents at Durbin.

A Blue Bird Photo. Play at the Imperial Theatre Saturday afternoon and night, March 3rd.

The Public Service Commission of West Virginia, Capitol Building, Charleston

A meeting of the Public Service Commission of West Virginia, held on the 12th day of February, A. D., 1917.

Case No. 550

Marlinton & Stony Creek Mutual Telephone Company

Application to change rates

Whereas application to change rates has this day been filed by the Marlinton & Stony Creek Mutual Telephone Company it is hereby ordered that leave be granted to any person interested to file objection thereto before the Commission at any time on or before the 30th day of March, 1917, and this matter be set down for hearing at a meeting of the Commission to be held at its office in the Capitol Building on the 30th day of March, 1917, at 2 o'clock p. m., at which time any person may appear and make such objections as may be deemed proper.

B. B. REERNHEIM,
Secretary.

The proposed change of rates to renters is from \$6.00 to \$7.00 per year.

MARLINTON & STONY CREEK MUTUAL TELEPHONE CO.
By Geo. A. C. Aldridge,
Secretary and Treasurer.

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for hells lay many more eggs, pure and fertile. Also sure to cure gapes. Sick hogs, sheep, horses and cattle saved by "OCULUM OIL." Ask for Directions for Feeding "OCULUM" and save 24 per cent on feed bill.

MARLINTON POULTRY YARD
Box 179 Marlinton, W. Va.

Thompson's Greenbrier Valley Normal School

Alderson, West Virginia

This school will begin on Monday, April 9th, and continue three months.

Our aim is to prepare teachers for the uniform examinations and successful work in the school room.

All of our large class of students, in the series of examinations last year, merited certificates, and one of these surpassed over five thousand other applicants, having won first honor among the various schools represented in the examinations of West Virginia.

We have, previous to this term, conducted our normal work at Renick, W. Va., and many students from our school have won honors and gold medals for their high standard in examinations.

In addition to the regular work students may pursue any of the following: Piano, Voice, Public School Music, Art, Elocution, Public Speaking, Electric Engineering, Dramatic Art, Etc.

Board will be \$15 per month, which is, no doubt, as low as at other places. Tuition for the normal course alone will be ten dollars for the term, payable, if convenient, at the beginning of the term.

Prospective students should not overlook the fact that Alderson is an ideal location and an ideal town, possessing, too, some of the best medicinal water in the State.

Come out and attend a session with us; for no school will put forth greater efforts to advance your interest than ours. We have trained hundreds of teachers. Let us train you.

For further information write me at Alderson, W. Va.

ALEX. R. THOMPSON, Principal
of Normal Department.

ONOTO HILLSBORO

District Superintendent L. E. Resseger held quarterly meeting at Hamlin Chapel Sunday.

Mrs. Faith Baxter of Minneha Springs, came down Thursday to spend a few days with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Duncan and little son Alex of Buckeye, were visiting at Mrs. Margaret Baxter's over Sunday.

C. C. Baxter is preparing to build a limekiln. Charlie is one of our best farmers and he believes in using plenty of lime.

Neal Baxter and wife spent Sunday at Levi Baxter's.

Mr. and Mrs. Giles Sharp of Warwick, were visiting at W. G. Cochran's Monday.

Miss Kate Wood, who has been staying with her sister, Mrs. E. B. Vanreeman, returned to her home at Mingo Monday.

Frank Baxter and wife and Miss Bertha Overholt were guests of Mrs. Margaret Baxter, Sunday.

O. W. Kellison, of Yeik, was here Sunday to attend quarterly meeting.

Geo. A. C. Aldridge was at Stony Bottom recently on business.

NEW THEATRE

The Imperial Theatre opened its doors on Monday night to capacity houses in two shows, presenting "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine," a tale of the Kentucky mountains by John Fox, Jr.

Messrs. T. O. Anderson; F. P. King and Carl L. Sheets have rented the Alexander Amusement Parlors. The billiard room has been fitted as an up to date theatre.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Brockman, Jr., of Charles Town, W. Va., have been secured as musicians. Mr. Brockman leading the orchestra. Both are accomplished musicians.

New Eye Specialist at Hinton Hospital

Beginning March 1st, the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat work of The Hinton Hospital will be in charge of Dr. J. B. T. Cummings, recently of Anniston, Alabama, a capable specialist of large experience and training.

Dr. Cummings is a graduate of Tulane University, New Orleans; had a year as surgeon in the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat hospital of Chicago; has had ten years in the practice of his specialty, and for the leading hospital in Anniston.

He comes well equipped as a worthy successor of Dr. Wells, who has served us so obligately and whom we very much regret to lose.

All the books and records of Dr. Wells including copies of prescriptions for glasses will be left with Dr. Cummings.

Very truly yours,
The Hinton Hospital.

Marlinton General Hospital

Marlinton, W. Va.

DR. HARRY C. SOLTER
Practice limited to Surgery, Diseases of Women and X Ray Treatments.

DR. WILLIAM C. McCORD
Special attention to Treatment of Rheumatism and all Chronic Diseases.

Some people persist in learning by experience how ill it pays to take no thought for the morrow.

Other recognizing the best advice of the adages—regularly lay aside a portion, even though small, of present earnings for future needs.

Our Officers encourage and co-operate with individuals, who are building a financial reserve, through our Savings Department.

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Marlinton, W. Va.